

FYI.....March 17, 2022

****NO SCHOOL - FRIDAY, MARCH 18****

****LATE START - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23****

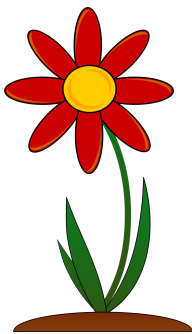
WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY . . . is Monday, March 21. This date was chosen because Down Syndrome or Trisomy 21 happens when a person is born with a third copy of the 21st chromosome. This day is celebrated across the globe. **Students and staff are encouraged to wear colorful or crazy socks on Monday to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day.**



BOOK FAIR . . . Don't forget to check out our Scholastic Book Fair! The Book Fair is open in person at Ceresco Elementary tonight, March 17 during Parent Teacher Conferences. The Valparaiso Book Fair is online only. You may order books online through March 27th by using the following links: [Ceresco Book Fair](#) or [Valparaiso Book Fair](#).

THANK YOU . . . for attending your child's parent-teacher conference. Parental involvement not only enhances academic performance, but it also has a positive influence on student attitude and behavior. A parent's interest and encouragement in a child's education can affect the child's attitude toward school, classroom conduct, self-esteem, absenteeism, and motivation. We appreciate your partnership!

THANK YOU . . . to everyone who provided something for our staff to enjoy for a meal during conferences. We are so thankful for our community and their support!



SPRING PLANT SALE . . . Thank you to everyone who has submitted orders weekly! It truly helps with the data entry. Be sure to submit all remaining orders by Friday, March 25. The pick-up and open sale will take place Friday, April 29 from 5:00-10:00PM at the Valparaiso site. [Plant Sale Link](#)

PTO SPRING CARNIVAL . . . Mark your calendars for the carnival on **Friday, April 22** at the **High School New Gym** from 5:30-7:30PM. The gym will be packed with games and a bounce house! Students can win prizes! Food will be available! And, so much more! A pre-order ticket sales flier will be coming soon. Of course, something like this can't be pulled off without volunteers. Please see the following link and sign up for a time to manage a game, sell tickets, or help students pick their prizes. [Carnival Sign-Up Link](#)

MARCH MADNESS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB . . . Do you have a basketball fan in your house? We will be hosting a March Madness themed club one afternoon in both Valparaiso and Ceresco Schools. Activities will include basketball STEM, crafts, a snack, and games. **Date for Valparaiso: March 24, 2022. Date for Ceresco: March 25, 2022. Time: School Dismissal to 5:30PM. Parents pick up at school at 5:30PM.** Cost: \$10.00 (make checks payable to Raymond Central). There is a limit of 15 students for each location. To register, click the following link: [March Madness Club Registration](#)



MATTRESS SALE . . . The Music Boosters are hosting a Mattress Sale in the high school commons area this **Saturday, March 19th from 10:00AM-4:00PM**. Come and support the Music Boosters!

COVID TESTS . . . The Raymond Central Health Office was given at home COVID tests from the Three Rivers Health Department. If you are in need of at home COVID tests, please contact your school office.

PTO ON SOCIAL MEDIA . . . Don't forget to check the PTO Facebook page for current events and information. A strong and active PTO is a key contributing factor to the success of our students.

Upcoming Dates . . .

March 18 - No School
March 21 - Wear crazy or colorful socks for World Down Syndrome Day
March 23 - Late Start at 10:15AM
March 25 - All plant sales orders due
March 29 - Virtual Game Night at 6:30PM
April 15 and 18 - No School
April 22 - Spring Carnival